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Frank's Dahlia Garden

Grower of the Finest American & Foreign
Dahlias

160 Talbot Drive

Bedford, Ohio



MISS OHIO—This big winner with a beautiful shade of lilac rose color is the best stemmed, narrow petalled cactus in lavender class. The long florets are interlacing and are incurved, making up flowers that are deep and perfect. Grown normally, the blooms attain the size of 7x5 inches and are carried on long, medium size stems, well out of the foliage. The plants are vigorous growers with many branches coming from bottom, and are in bloom from mid-August till the end of season. Flowers have exceptionally good keeping qualities and may be cut with stems 3-4 feet long. It is a wonderful dahlia for garden, cutting and exhibition, and the roots keep well. 4½ feet. C. E.

Miss Ohio won following awards: Cleveland, 1934—Best Seedling; Mid-West Show at Cleveland, 1935—Best Undisseminated Cactus and Best Undisseminated Ohio origination; New York, 1935—Best Undisseminated Cactus and Best Undisseminated shipped by air (Silver Medal); Cleveland, 1936—Best Undisseminated Cactus, Best Lavender Cactus and Best 6-blooms Cactus; National Show at Detroit, 1936—Best Undisseminated Cactus, Most Outstanding Undisseminated, winning D. W. Hart Me-

morial Medal, The Most Distinctly Meritorious Undisseminated, winning The American Home Achievement Medal, and Best 6 Blooms Cactus, any other color; Mid-West Show at Cincinnati, 1936—The Best Undisseminated, winning O. V. D. A. Achievement Medal; New York, 1936—Shipments by air: Best Undisseminated shown by originator, A. D. S. Silver Medal, Best Variety on trial at A. D. S. Trial Grounds, A. D. S. Silver Medal; Storrs, Conn., 1936—Certificate of Merit.

Divisions, \$10.00

Plants, \$5.00

3 Plants, \$12.50

February 1st, 1937.

Friends:

I want to thank you for your patronage of last year, hoping that your gardens brought you happiness and many enjoyable hours, as my garden did to me.

I know, that size has you hypnotized, and many of you believe, that the so-called giants and monsters are achievements of perfection and beauty. To me, they are unusual crosses in floral evolution, often products of careful feeding, watering and shading and as such, to be admired. And though they may be desirable, I do not believe, that they are of prime importance, because their size neither creates nor implies beauty. Perfection in flower is a combination of beauty, grace and usefulness and should never be sacrificed for size.

Medium size dahlias are my favorites and that is the reason why majority of my planting consists of cactus and semi-cactus varieties. They are wonderful bloomers and delight everybody not only with their colors, but also with the artistic formation and grace, they possess.

A few years ago, I started to save seeds from these varieties, believing, that someday their beauty and usefulness will be recognized and appreciated. My goal was, more and better cactus varieties. And now, it is my intention to acquaint you at the shows with the products of my labors, so that you can judge for yourself, whether they are worthy, or whether they are, just dahlias.

I take a great pleasure in sending you this descriptive list, that portrays also "Miss Ohio," my first introduction, of which I am proud. I appreciate your business, and trust, that you will favor me with a liberal share of it, for which I thank you in advance.

I remain sincerely yours,

FRANK J. PARENICA.

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ABBREVIATIONS

Varieties: F.D.—Formal Decorative; I.D.—Informal Decorative; Str.C.—Straight Cactus; I.C.—Incurved Cactus; S.C.—Semi-Cactus.

Flowers: S.—Small, less than 5 inches; M.—Medium, 5 - 8 inches; L.—Large, above 8 inches.

Grade: G.—Garden variety; C.—Commercial variety; E.—Exhibition variety.

Height: Plants grown in a heavy clay and pinched at the end of July.

	Roots	Plants
ADIRONDACK SUNSET, ID. Color scarlet, reverse and tips yellow. M.L. 4f. E.	\$1.50	\$
ALTENSTEIN, ID. Rose with lilac, lightening at tips. Flowers facing on good stems. M.L. 4f. E.	2.00	1.00
* ALTMARK, SC. Soft rose with creamy white center. Beautiful flowers on strong stems and out of the foliage. M. 3f. C.E. ....	.75	.....
AMELIA EARHART, SC. Apricot buff and salmon. L. 4f. E.	1.25	.....
* ANDRE CSIZIK, SC. Profuse bloomer with flowers carried on long, wiry stems. Color violet rose. M. 4f. G.C. ....	.75	.....
* BAERNE, IC. Beautiful rosy-red. Good grower and bloomer. M. 3½f. G.C.E.	3.00	1.50
* BALLEGO'S SURPRISE, SC to Str. C. Pure white, seedling of Frau O. Bracht, and the best 1936 novelty from Europe. M. 4f. G.C.E. ....	.....	1.50
* BERGER'S JEWEL, IC. Beautiful cactus of soft lilac rose color blending into white at the points. M. 4f. G.C.E.	1.50	1.00
CALIFORNIA IDOL, ID. Clear bright yellow. L. 3½f. E. ....	.....	1.50
CALIFORNIA PEACH, SC. Bright coral pink. L. 5f. E. ....	.....	5.00
CALIFORNIA ROSE, ID. Bright rose. L. 5f. E.	1.50	.....
CHALLENGER, SC. Brilliant cardinal red, with yellow at base. M.L. 3f. E. ....	.....	1.50
CITY OF CLEVELAND, ID. Scarlet, splashed orange. M.L. 4f. E.	1.00	.....
CORALLINA, SC. Dark coral red with bronzy center. Flowers large and deep and with the best of stems. L. 4f. E.	1.50	.....
DOKOUPIL'S GIANT, FD. Lilac rose. Flowers facing and carried on strong stems. L. 4f. E. ....	.75	.....
DOKOUPIL'S TRIUMPH, ID. Straw yellow. Good grower, flowers sometimes with hard green centers. L. 3½f. E. ....	.75	.....
DOROTHY STONE, ID. Rose pink. L. 3½f. E. ....	.50	.....
DORRIS I COOPER, SC. Soft lilac. M. 3½f. C.75
DR. J. SCHEINER, SC. Soft lilac rose. Good. M.L. 4½f. E.75

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* DULCINEA , Str. C. Brilliant redish crimson. Beautiful flower on long wiry stems but poor root maker. M. 3½f. C.E.		1.25
EEMLAND , SC. Deep velvet red with purple glow. M. 3½f. E.	1.50	.....
* EHRENPREIS , SC. Prolific bloomer with wiry stems. Color salmon rose. M. 3½ ft. G.C. ....	.75	.....
ENTRUP'S SCHOENHEIT , ID. Dark brown red. M.L. 3½f. E. ....	.75	.....
ENTRUP'S SULTAN , FD. Dark carmine and very attractive. L. 4f. G.E. ....	.75	.....
* ERLOSUNG , SC. White. M. 3½f. C.	1.00	.....
* EX LIBRIS , SC. Golden chamois, blending into glowing red. Chrysanthemum type. M. 3f. C.	1.00	.....
ERSCHEINUNG , FD. Bright scarlet. S. 3f. G. ....	.50	.....
* FRAU MARIE KIPKE , ID. Rich orange, petals and tips bordered yellow. Excellent in every way. M. 4½f. C.E.	1.50	.....
* FRAU KATE REUTER , SC. Salmon rose with gold, long stiff stems. S. 4f. C. ....	.75	.....
* FRAU O. BRACHT , SC. Soft primrose yellow, that won many awards. M. 4f. C.E. ....	.75	.....
* FRANZ BERGER , SC. Coral red, seedling of Frau O. Bracht. Excellent variety and free. M. 4f. G.C.E.	1.00	.....
FRANK SERPA , ID. Pale pink shaded rose. Large flowers carried on long stiff stems. L. 3½f. E.	1.50	1.00
GARDENDIRECTOR ANLAUF , ID. Carmine, tipped white. Good habits. M. 4f. E. ....	.75	.....
GOLDEN STANDARD , IC.-Str. C. Buff with amber and gold. M.L. 4½f. E.	1.50	.....
HEROS , SC. Bronze and copper. Flowers on strong stems and out of foliage. M.L. 3½f. E.	1.00	.....
* INSPIRATION , IC. Clear yellow, medium size flowers carried on strong stems. The best all-around yellow cactus. M. 4f. C.E.		1.50
JEAN PATURET , SC to Str. C. Brilliant yellow with good habits. M. 3½f. C.E.		1.50
JEROME KERN , ID. Soft shrimp pink with gold and old rose shadings. Strong wiry stems. M.L. 4½f. E.	1.00	.....
JERSEY'S DAINTY , Str. C. White, good bloomer with good stems. M. 3½f. G.E. ....	.75	.....
JUDGE S. SEABURY , ID. Heliotrope to white. Flowers on strong stems. L. 4f. E.	1.50	1.00
KAREOL , IC. Blending of yellow, carmine and old rose. Flowers facing on long and stiff stems. M. 4f. E.75
* KISMET , SC. Crimson red on strong stems. M. 3f. C.E.75

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KATH. NORRIS, ID. Rosy pink. L. 4f. E.	50
KOMERZIALRAT BRAYER, ID. Striking variety. Color Indian red, points yellow. Large flowers on long and strong stems. L. 4f. G.E.	1.50
*KURT ENGELHARDT, FD. Beautiful shade of salmon rose. M. 3½f. C.E. ....	.75	.....
*LAETARE, SC. Orange red with golden yellow points. Very attractive variety and good in every way. We won O. V. D. A. Meritorious Medal with this variety at Cincinnati. M. 4f. G.C.E.	1.50	1.00
LEIDEN'S ELEGANCE, Str. C. Deep vermillion red. Foliage susceptible to injury from insects. M. 3½f. E.	1.00	.....
*LILAC GLORY, IC. Soft lilac on lighter base, beautiful. M. 3½f. G.C.E. ....	.75	.....
*LONDON, IC. Center golden yellow blending into salmon. M. 3f C.E.	2.00	1.00
*LYRIK, SC. Rosy red with chamois yellow center. M. 3f. C.E.	1.50	.....
LORD OF AUTUMN, ID. Golden yellow on long stems. Many awards. L. 4f. E.	1.50	.....
MAD. FR. LORENZ, ID. Velvety red tipped white. Very attractive bicolor with good habits. M.L. 3½f. G.E. ....	.....	1.50
MAN O' WAR, ID. Oxblood red with good habits. M.L. 4½f. G.E.	1.00	.....
MARGRACE, ID. Carmine red with chrome base and petaloids. Won many awards last season. L. 4½f. E.	5.00	2.50
*MISS BELGIUM, Str. C. Deep orange and on the best of stems. Prolific bloomer and one of the best cactus varieties. M. 3½f. G.C.E. ....	.75	.....
MISS GLORY, SC. Apricot yellow. M.L. 4½f. E. ....	.....	3.75
MONM. CHAMPION, FD. Orange flame on strong stems. Good. M.L. 3½f. G.E. ....	.50	.....
MONMOUTH SUNBURST, FD. Orange with lemon yellow center. M. 3½f. G.E. ....	.50	.....
MRS. G. LE BOUTILLIER, ID. Deep carmine red, stems sometimes weak. L. 3½f. E.	1.50	.....
MRS. IDA CHASE, SC. to Str. C. Combination of bright lemon yellow and spinal pink, reverse pale lavender pink. M. 4f. C.E. ....	.....	5.00
MRS. HERBERT O'CONNOR, Str. C. to IC. Bright rose pink. M. 4½f. C.E. ....	.....	2.50
MUNCHHAUSEN, FD. Salmon red blending into white. Good bicolor variety that starts to bloom early. M. 4f. G.E.	1.50	1.00
*NATIONALBROWN, Str. C. Base color light tan, petals touched with creamy yellow and blending into rose red. Prolific bloomer on good stems. M. 3f. G.C.E.	2.00	1.00

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NEW DEAL, ID. Orange red. M.L. 4f. E.	1.50
*NEWES REICH, FD. Bright red, flowers 4-5 inches, ball shaped and on good stems. Prolific bloomer. S. 3f. G.C.50
*NIVEA, Str. C. to IC. White, that has excellent keeping qualities. M. 3f. C. ....	.50	.....
NOCTURNO, IC. Dark velvety red with flowers on good stems. M. 4f. C.E. ....	.75	.....
*PAUL PFITZER, SC. Chamois rose. Ex- cellent variety for cutting and exhi- bition. M. 4f. C.E.	1.00	.....
*PETUNIA, IC. Deep lilac with strong and long stems. M. 5f. C.E. ....	.....	1.50
PHANTOM, FD. Violet, tipped white. A bicolor with good habits. M. 4f. E. ....	.....	1.00
*PINK SELECTION, SC. Silver rose, at- tractive and good bloomer. M. 4f. G.C.	1.00	.....
*PINK SPIRAL, IC. Peach pink with yel- low shading, long stems and flowers good. M. 4f. C.E.	2.00	1.00
*POESIE MORAVY, ID. White with soft lilac shading. Beautiful and free flow- ering variety with strong stems. M. 3½f. G.C.E.	1.00	.....
PRACHTKERL, SC. Deep yellow. M.L. 4f. E.	1.50	.....
PREMIE, FD. Yellow with points and center chocolate brown. M. 3½f. G.E. ....	.75	.....
PURPLE WONDER, ID. Pansy purple. M.L. 4½f. E.	1.00	.....
REMARKABLE, ID. Bicolor, fiery red, tipped white. Good stems, M. 4½f. E.	1.50	.....
*RENATTE MUELLER, IC. Best Euro- pean introduction in 1934. Color sal- mon rose with pale yellow center. First class exhibition variety. M. 3½f. G.C.E.	1.00	.....
*RIELE, IC. Salmon rose with golden yellow center. Beautiful cactus on strong stems and very good bloomer. M. 3f. G.C.E.	1.50	1.00
R. W. TRESSEDER, ID. Rich golden yellow with buff reverse on cane like stems. L. 4½f. E.	1.50	1.00
ROYAL BLACK, SC. to IC. Deep vel- vet red with brown shading on long stems. M.L. 4½f. E. ....	.....	1.50
*SAARLAND'S HEIMKEHR, Str. C. Sal- mon rose with a touch of amethyst, points and center flushed yellow. Beautiful dahlia and the best Euro- pean novelty in 1935. M. 4f. C.E.	1.50	1.00
SARA KAY, SC. Golden yellow with large flowers on long and strong canes. L. 5f. E.	5.00	2.50
SACRED FIRE, ID. Cherry red. M.L. 4½f. E.	1.00

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SACHSENLAND, SC. Old gold, good habit. M. 4f. G.E.75
SATAN, SC. Flaming red. Large flowers on long canes. Stems sometimes weak. L. 5f. E.	1.00
SEVERIN'S TRIUMPH, FD. Salmon pink, deeper at center. The largest formal pink with long stems and good habits. M.L. 4f. E.	1.50	1.00
SHEKINAH, SC. Beautiful shade of shell pink. Large flowers and good habits. L. 4f. E. ....	.....	5.00
THE FIREMAN, ID. Cardinal red, flushed gold. Good grower and bloomer. M.L. 4f. E. ....	.75	.....
*TYRUS, Str. C. Dark mauve rose. Beautiful flower, good stems and foliage. M. 3½f. G.C.E.	1.00	.....
UBERRASHUNG, SC. Light lilac with white petaloids. Good stems and artistic foliage. M. 3½f. C.E.	2.00	.....
*UNICUM, SC. Deep rose with creamy center. Long stems and good foliage. M. 3½f. C. ....	.75	.....
*VICTORIA, IC. Narrow petalled yellow cactus with good stems. Shy root maker. M. 3f. C.E.	1.00	.....
*WEISSE DAME, SC. White seedling of Frau O. Bracht with good stems and habits. M. 3½f. G.C.E.	2.00	1.00
*WHITE ABUNDANCE, ID. Large white on long canes. Very good grower. M.L. 6f. C.E.	2.00	1.00
*WHITE DUCHESS, FD. Large white with wide petals on strong stems. M.L. 3½f. C.E. ....	.50	.....
WHITE WONDER, ID. Large white with good stems and foliage. L. 4f. E. ....	.50	.....

We have many novelties that we do not list. So, if you do not find those that you want or need, write us, we may have them and we will be glad to serve you.

We do not list plants below \$1.00, but we do have them and local growers may purchase them at our place.

COLLECTIONS

12 roots large flowering varieties, all different colors	\$3.00
12 roots Miniatures and Pompoms, all different colors	2.50

MINIATURE, POMPOM AND BALL DAHLIAS

*BABY ROYAL, Min. Salmon pink, winner of Gold Medal	\$0.35
BISHOP OF LLANDAFF, Min. Bright scarlet crimson, foliage of bronzy purple color.....	.50
CONGO BELGE, Min. Dark red, with deep bronzy foliage .....	.75
*EDITH MUELLER, Pom. Cerise pink, good.....	.25
*ETHEL HARRILD, Min. Cerise pink, Baby Royal type .....	.75
*FRIARS CRAG, Min. Orange-apricot	1.00
GELBER GNOM, Min. Canary yellow.....	.75
GIMPEL, Min. Scarlet .....	.75
*GLORIOUS, Min. Raspberry red. Very free flowering and winner of Gold Medal .....	.75
GOLD ORANGE, Bedding. Light orange, points yellow .....	.50
GOLDSMITH, Ball. Yellow and red .....	.50
*GUTT GLUCK, Min. Violet tipped white. Good bicolor and free flowering .....	.75
*HONEY, Pom. Primrose yellow, edged red.....	.25
*HONEYBIRD, Min. Yellow at center to bright orange .....	.75
LITTLE DREAM, Min. Rose pink tipped white .....	.75
*LITTLE SNOW QUEEN, Min. White. Prolific bloomer .....	.75
*LITTLE SUNSHINE, Pom. Amber .....	.35
*MARJORIE EMBERSON, Min. Soft pink.....	.75
*MARMOR, Ball. White overcast with light violet	1.00
MOROCCO, Min. Crimson scarlet, points white	1.00
*MARY MUNN, Pom. Lavender, good .....	.25
*POPPY, Min. Yellow center changing to deep coral and rosy tints. Winner of Gold Medal	1.50
RARASEK, Pom. Deep scarlet .....	.50
*SLAVKA DOKOUPILOVA, Min. Orange and white, fine .....	.50
*USEFUL, Min. Mauve rose, very pretty.....	.75

*VARIETIES are recommended to florists for their keeping and blooming qualities.

Join The American Dahlia Society. Send \$2.00 to Louis C. Alling, Secretary, 251 Court St., West Haven, Conn., and receive Quarterly Bulletin of the Society.

We also recommend The Mid-West Dahlia News, quarterly publication edited by D. O. Eldredge, 170 Talmadge St., Madison, Wisconsin. Subscription, \$1.00 per year.

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